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WICHITA MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO CHILD PORNOGRAPHY CHARGE

TOPEKA, Kan. – United States Attorney Eric Melgren announced that **Shannon Lee Miller, 26**, Wichita, Kansas, entered a guilty plea on Sept. 10, 2004, before U.S. District Judge J. Thomas Marten to one count of **distribution of child pornography**.

Melgren said that Miller admitted at his plea that on and before Nov. 17, 2003, he received and distributed pictures of minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct. Miller said he received and distributed the images via the Internet and his computer.

Miller faces a maximum sentence of not less than five years and not more than 20 years imprisonment and a \$250,000 fine . Sentencing is set for 9:30 a.m. Nov. 8, 2004.

Melgren commended the Federal Bureau of Investigation for the computer forensics work that was the basis of the prosecution.